

REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

Pending claims 1, 5-11, 14-15, 17-21 26-28 and 30 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. §102(e) over U.S. Patent No. 6,377,249 (Mumford). Applicant respectfully traverses the rejection.

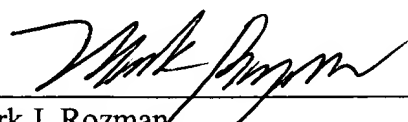
With regard to amended claim 1, nowhere does Mumford disclose generating a different sequence of characteristic values each corresponding to a primary color in each of at least two regions of a display until the position of a sensor with respect to the regions is determined. In this regard, Mumford does not teach generating a different sequence of characteristic values corresponding to primary colors. Instead, the portion of Mumford cited by the Office Action teaches use of a color gradient, not primary colors. Mumford, col. 8, lns. 39-40.

Furthermore, Mumford does not teach generating such a sequence in each region until the position of a sensor is determined. Instead, Mumford teaches that when it is determined that a sensor is not within a particular region of the display, values are no longer generated for that region. Mumford, col. 17, lns. 41-47. Such termination of sequence generation continues for each region in which it is determined that the sensor is not located. *Id.* at col. 18, lns. 23-44. Accordingly, Mumford does not teach "generating a different sequence ... in each of said regions until the position" is determined. For at least these reasons, independent claims 1, 11, and 20 and the claims depending therefrom are patentable over Mumford.

The application is believed to be in condition for allowance and the Examiner's prompt action in accordance therewith is respectfully requested. The Commissioner is authorized to charge any additional fees or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 20-1504.

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